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Sister Sound Presents A Musical Feast

SisterSound, Lexington's Women's Chorus, proudly announces its upcoming concert, "A Musical Feast," to be held on Saturday, May 21 at 8 pm. The Chorus will sing the praises of favorite foods while drawing upon a variety of musical styles. From "Pizza" to "Chocolate," the lighthearted fare will satisfy your appetite for entertainment.

Since this theme is guaranteed to stir up some culinary cravings, the Chorus will provide tasty treats for your enjoyment during intermission. So come listen, nosh, and enjoy. The event will be Festival Seating with ticket prices of \$15 for regular admission, \$10 for seniors/students, and \$5 for children. Tickets are available from any SisterSound member or call the Singletary Center Box Office @ 859-257-4929.

In keeping with the theme of food, SisterSound is selling a member-compiled cookbook, "SisterSound's Musical Feast" for \$10. The ...continued on next page

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PRIDE IDOL PRELIMINARIES

Tues., May 10 9 pm Club 141
Thurs, May 19 8 pm at Third St. Stuff
Tues., May 31 9 pm at Club Liquid
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Derby Fundraisers

Fairness

KFA Bluegrass Chapter and Club Liquid proudly present the first ever Derby Eve Bonnet Fashion Show and Party on Friday, May 6. Entry registration begins at 10 p.m. and the fashion show begins at 11(ish). A \$100 cash prize will be given to the individual with the most creative, way over-the-top Derby bonnet. Second and third place winners will receive Fab-U-lous "Hats of Cheer" prizes. There will be a \$10 cover charge for this exciting event held at Club Liquid (Woodhill Shopping Center).

But wait! There's more gaiety on Derby Day. Jennifer Crossen and Joan Callahan cordially invite you to join KFA for a 'Run for the Roses' Derby Day Bash and Bask in the ...continued on page 2

Moveable Feast

A fundraising party for Moveable Feast will be held on Derby Day, May 7. Abbra Cadaver and Columbus' Devil in Exile will be among the bands playing for your entertainment. The party will be from 3pm to 10 pm. at 2420 N. ...continued on page 2

Sponsor of the Month



Windy Knoll Farm

Jennifer Crossen

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SisterSound Concert continued

book will be available at the concert but can also be ordered in advance of the performance or thereafter by contacting any member of the Chorus.

Additionally, food-themed prizes, including restaurant gift certificates, will be given away at the concert through a raffle. A complimentary raffle ticket will accompany each cookbook purchased. Tickets will also be given to those making a minimum \$10 donation to the Chorus.

The concert promises to take SisterSound's joy in singing to a whole new level, so please come and enjoy this celebration of all things delectable on May 21st, 8 p.m. at the UK Singletary Center for the Arts.

For more information, to join the Chorus or to make a tax-deductible donation, please visit us in cyberspace at: www.geocities.com/sistersound.

Bluegrass Fairness Derby Party ...continued

Sun Party at Windy Knoll Farm ,3263 Cleveland Rd. Join us on Saturday May 7th, between 4 and 7 p.m. There is a suggested 'bet' of \$5.00 or more. There will also be several pots for you to enter bets. Snacks and soft drinks will be provided.

You can find Windy Knoll by taking Winchester Rd. 5.5 miles past New Circle to Cleveland Rd. Turn left onto Cleveland and look for the driveway to Windy Knoll on your left, half a mile up the road. The drive is just past David's Fork Bapstist Church. A mailbox with the street number 3263 will be on your right, directly across from the driveway.

Proceeds from both these events will benefit KFA's on-going fight for equality for all Kentuckians. Looking forward, plan to join us for Bowling for Fairness at Southland Collins Lanes on Sat. June 11. (More information will be in the June GLSO News)

Moveable Feast Derby Party... continued

Cleveland Pk. Tickets purchased in advance are \$30 per person or \$50 per couple, At the door, \$35 single, \$55 couple. Call Moveable Feast at 252-2867 for advance ticket purchase. **Directions:** Drive out Winchester Rd. 5.5 miles beyond New Circle Rd. Turn right onto Cleveland Rd. It will be the 1st large house on the left with stone gates.

Community News

Cris Williamson in Concert

The Women's Studies Program at the University of Kentucky is proud to present Cris Williamson in concert celebrating the release of her new CD "Real Deal." Join us on Saturday, May 14 at 8 p.m. at Memorial Hall on the University of Kentucky campus, 610 S. Limestone Street.

Tickets are \$18 advance and \$20 at the door, \$10 for students and seniors. Tickets are available at UK Student Center Ticket Office, by phone at (859) 257-8427 or online at www.ticketmaster.com

Cris Williamson will also conduct a three-part writing workshop to teach how to get in touch with our inner creative voice as an avenue of self expression. Open to everyone. (You do not need to play a musical instrument to attend.)

The workshop will be on Thursday, May 12 and Friday, May 13 from 7 - 9:30 p.m., and Saturday, May 14, from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. It will be held at the Gaines Center, 226 Maxwell St. Contact: Lynne Maner at (859) 278-6990. Cost is \$200 for the workshop. Partial scholarships are available for UK Women's Studies students.

Rainbow Families of Lexington

We will meet on Saturday May 21 for a Kids Craft Day. We will create crafts to put on display in the GLSO Pride Gallery and at Lexmark's Diversity Day event. A Gallery Opening Party will be at the Pride Center on Saturday June 4. Open to all. The time and location for making crafts will be posted on our web site at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/rfolky/>.

On Sunday June 12, everyone is invited to the Pride Month Picnic at Windy Knoll farm. We will have special carnival activities for kids.

LEX. PRIDE IDOL CONTEST

The 2005 Pride Idol search has begun with preliminaries held in 3 of the 6 hosting locations. Bill Chandler, the Pride Center Office Manager, spent many hours researching, designing, promoting and hosting the contests, but so far we have had only a few competitors to show up.

"I know there are a lot of people who love to sing," Bill said, "but I think the problem is they are afraid to do it in a competitive situation. I wish they would look at it as a chance to help us raise money that is desperately needed for the Pride Center, and know that although there can only be one winner, people are going to be entertained and appreciate their effort. I know I will."

There are still 3 more preliminary rounds, see places and times on the front page. If you've been considering competing, please come on out. It's a fun way to make a contribution to your community.

Congratulations to the individuals who have qualified for the second round: **Virginia Thomas, Jason Asher, Dave Mills, P. J. Webb, Fred Worsham, Cliff Goulet, Alex Redgefield and Hayden McCanahan.** We would like to choose 13 more people in the remaining preliminaries. So, show up and you will have a great chance of being a winner.

The second round will take place before judges at the Kentucky Theater on Thursday, June 2. Tickets are on sale now for \$5 at the Pride Center and Ky Theater's box office and during preliminary rounds at the remaining hosting locations. Tickets will be \$10 at the door. Please remember your participation in this event as a contestant or as a member of the audience will help the GLSO Pride Center keep it's doors open.

Miss Derby Pride

The Imperial Court's Miss Derby Pride Pageant will be on May 4th at Club 141. Doors open at 8:30, Pageant at 9:30. For an application, please contact Nicole Diamond at NicoleDiamond1@aol.com or Regent Emperor 23 Donnie "EV" Royse at Emperor19EV@aol.com.

The court will be hosting an auction of erotic art at Gallerie Soleil (363 W. Short Street) on May 15th. See page 8 for info or contact event chair John Ridener at Ursaloco2@aol.com.

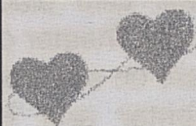
Want to Become a Nonsmoker?

The Lex./Fayette co. Health Dept is offering a new course of Cooper/Clayton classes on how to become a nonsmoker. Classes will begin on May 24 and will meet on Tuesday evenings from 5:30 to 6:30 at 804A Newtown circle. There is no charge and two weeks of nicotine replacement products are included. You also receive membership at the YMCA for the duration of the course. (May 24 - Aug 16)

For more information or to register for the course, call jessica at 288-2457 or Dana at 288-2327.

Lyons Levi/Leather Club

The Lexington Lyons will meet on Monday, May 9 at the Pride Center. Contact Paul at 312-9346 for information about the club.



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LAVENDER READING GROUP

The Lavender Reading Group, Joseph-Beth Booksellers' monthly GLBT book discussion group, will meet on Saturday May 7 at 3:00 pm. The group will discuss Oscar Wilde's "The Picture of Dorian Gray." Please ask at help desk for meeting location within the store. For more information contact Meredith Whiles, mwhiles@josephbeth.com.

Frontrunners/Frontwalkers

In April Frontrunners/Frontwalkers will again meet on Wednesday nights at 6:45 pm and Saturday mornings at 9 am at the U.K. Arboretum. We will discuss moving over to Woodland Park at an earlier time. By mid-April we may have decided to move to contact us of updated information. or with questions. Contact Hal Kutter or Ken Waibel at 294-7944.

Bar Complex Events

The Bar host's regular Karaoke Nights every Tuesday in the Gilded Cage Cabaret. We have a large selection of all-time favorites and you can also bring your own song selections. "Drago Bingo" is held at 9 pm every Wednesday. Come on out for some fabulous Prizes. Bring you own ink sampler in your favorite color.

Pride Idol Preliminaries

Tues., May 10 9 pm Club 141
Thurs., May 19 8pm at Third St. Stuff
Tues., May 31 9 pm at Club Liquid

Second Round

Thursday, June 2
Kentucky Theater 9 pm
Tickets \$5 in advance at the Pride Center & Kentucky Theater. \$10 at door.

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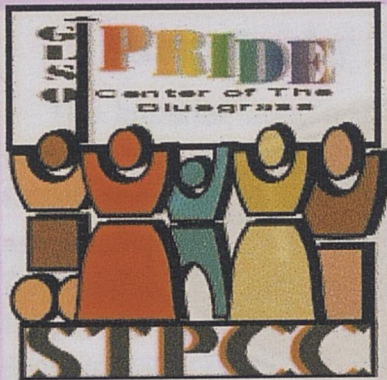
Run for the Roses Derby Party

Jennifer and Joan Cordially Invite You to

Windy Knoll Farm

Saturday, May 7th 4 - 7

\$5 Donation to benefit Fairness



Save the Pride Center Campaign

by Tom Collins

When I first came to Lexington 10 years ago my first introduction to the gay community was through the bars. Now there is nothing wrong with that, in fact I met a lot of wonderful people. Still for one who does not drink or smoke and cannot dance, the bars did not provide me with what I was looking for in the way of getting to know other gay people. I heard a lot about gay groups, but found it very difficult to find contact information for them. There were no set meetings or places that seemed safe for someone just coming to terms with his orientation. I commonly referred to the gay community in Lexington as "The Invisible People".

There have been many good reasons for being invisible, but I like to think that most of them are in our past. I am extremely proud to be a member of the Lexington gay community that has become so visible over the past few years. We have worked hard to pass laws that provide us with many of the protections that our heterosexual friends take for granted. Even though we are not always successful in our campaigns, at least we are now stepping out and being seen and heard. As we began to become more visible we created a place to meet, organize, plan, socialize, learn, be entertained, and display our skills and talents. This place is the GLSO Pride Center.

The GLSO Pride Center is definitely one of the cornerstones of our community.

PRIDE CENTER NEWS

389 Waller Ave. 859-253-3233 Mon-Fri 10a - 3p

Volunteers help us keep the Center open after 3 and on Saturdays. **We need volunteers.**

We have numerous groups requesting time and space for meetings and events at the Pride Center. Our library is a great educational center as well as a provider of entertainment opportunities.

But this cornerstone is currently in danger. The GLSO has suffered a decrease in donations and grant funds, making it very difficult to pay the rent, utilities and other basic expenses for the Pride Center. We are in desperate need of funds or we may end-up closing the doors six months to a year from now.

If you are one of the individuals who have become visible through the Pride Center by participation in any of the groups that utilize the space please do not allow us to become invisible again. Any contributions or fundraising activities that you can do on behalf of the Pride Center would be greatly appreciated. If you are able to help in any way contact Bill at 859-253-3233.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

*Participate / Attend The Pride Idol Contest

see page 3

* Subscribe to this Newsletter

Send \$20, your name and address to GLSO;, PO Box 1172, Lexington Ky. 40588

* Donate a raffle item to the Picnic

Call Mary 266-5904

* PICNIC - JUNE 12

Be there and buy drinks & raffle tickets

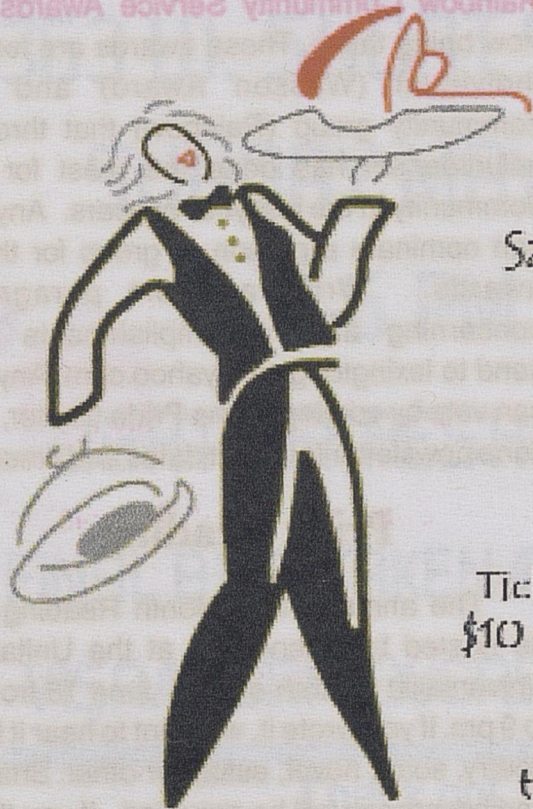
* Come to the Banquet

Sunday, June 26. see page 8

Have a gathering in your home where we can talk about our many projects.

Sister Sound Presents
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Saturday, May 21, 8:00 pm
UK Singletary Center
for the Arts

Ticket Prices: \$15 regular admission,
\$10 students and seniors, \$5 children

Tickets are available from
the Singletary Center for the Arts
Box Office, 257-4929
www.geocities.com/sistersound

EROS

Imperial Court Bares All for Good Cause

Charles Bukowski wrote "Sexual intercourse is kicking death in the ass while singing." Nothing could be further from the truth as some of Lexington's most popular artists come together in Eros, an exhibition and silent auction of erotic art on Sunday, May 15 at Gallerie Soleil from 2-6 pm.

Many of these same artists collaborated during the early years of the AIDS epidemic to produce what became known as The Dick Show with proceeds donated to the Lexington/Fayette County Health Department's AIDS Medication Fund. Money raised by Eros will benefit the charities of the Imperial Court of Kentucky including Moveable Feast Lexington and AIDS Volunteers Lexington, (AVOL).

Artist and Eros organizer John Ridener notes, "The theme has been expanded to include a more diverse range of sexualities as the epidemic has further infiltrated all our communities.

"While, as a society, we become more confident that it doesn't matter what we do in our bedrooms, not all of us are content with not doing it in the streets for fear of frightening the horses. We are lovers and artists, gay and straight, male and female, but most of all unwilling to have our capacity to love shunned by those who are unwilling to understand.

"As much as this collection of work is about sex, it is also about the beauty and resiliency of the human spirit. From each erection, each orgasm, each breath, there springs a new opportunity to affect social change. We're not dead yet. Still alive, still loving, filled with rage over those who've died of ignorance and homophobia and other societal ills. We are f*cking in sorrow Gusand joy--in bewilderment and understanding. And we are singing loudly in hopes of kicking death in the ass and frightening a few horses."

The show includes works by Ridener, Jim Brancaccio, Thomas Chaney, Gus Finklstein, Jimmy Gordon, Dale Hixson, Jeb Edwards,

American Express, and checks accepted. Check out www.impcourt.org/kentucky for a complete listing of events for Coronation 24: A Night at the Juke Joint.

PRIDE MONTH

Pride Picnic

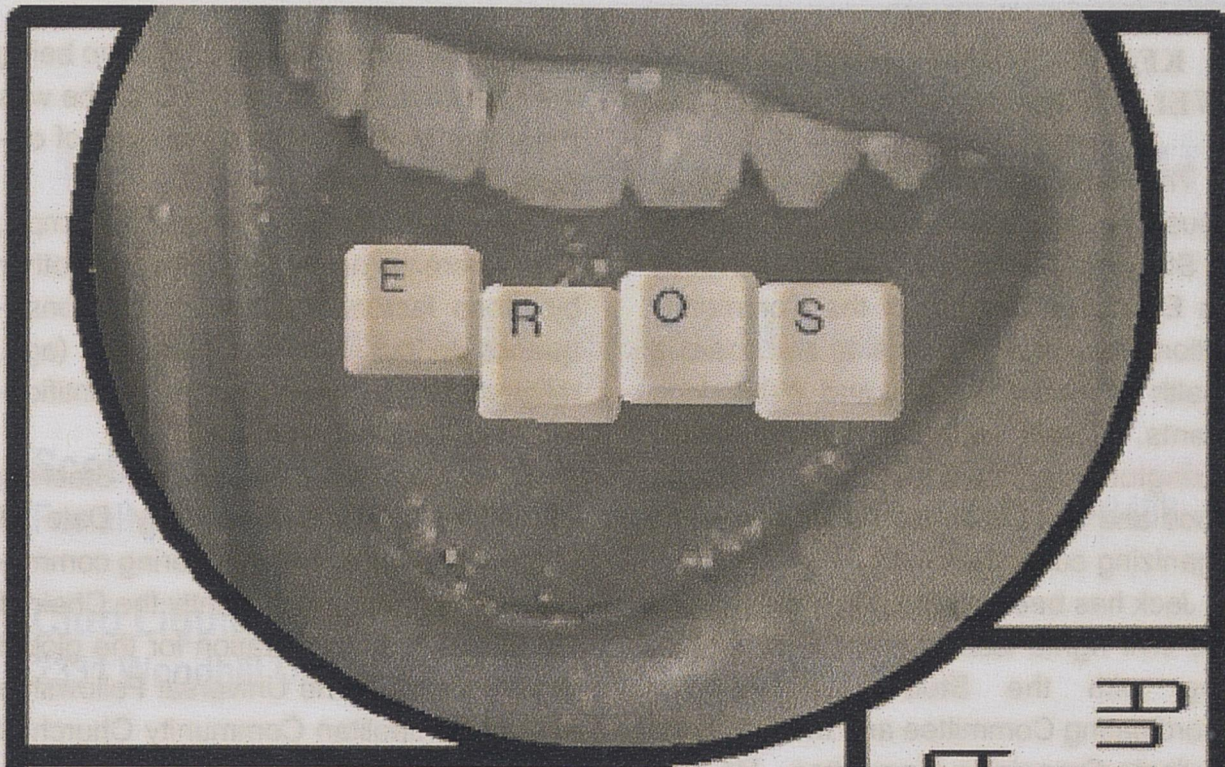
This year the picnic will be on Sunday, June 12, at Windy Knoll Farm. This is a free event but we do need to cover costs and raise some money for the Pride Center. We will be selling soft drinks, raffle tickets, and pride items. Anyone wanting to set up a table or booth should call Mary Crone at 266-5904. Also call mary to colunteer some time.

Volunteer Awards Banquet

The Banquet will be on Sunday June 26. **NOMINATIONS for the Wasson and Rainbow Community Service Awards** are now being taken. These awards are for the individual (Wasson Award) and the community group (Rainbow) that through volunteerism has done the most for our community in the last year or years. Anyone can nominate a person or group for these awards. Write a short paragraph concerning their accomplishments and send to lexingtonglso@yahoo.com. Anyone can vote by coming by the Pride Center, see June newsletter for exact dates and times.

Pride Reading

The annual Pride Month Reading will be hosted by Interweave at the Unitarian Universalist Church on Sat. June 18 from 7 to 9 pm. If you wrote it, we want to hear it be it poetry, song, novel, essay, or other. Snacks and beverages will be provided. If you think you might want to read, call Mary Crone at 266-5904. You can also sign up the evening of the event.



GALLERIE SOLEIL
363 W. SHORT STREET
SUNDAY MAY 15th
2-6 PM

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS
FINAL BIDS TAKEN @ 5:30 PM
VISA/MC/AMEX/CASH/CHECK

Check out
<<http://www.impcourt.org/kentucky>>
for complete information on Coronation
24: A Night at the Juke Joint

An exhibition and silent auction of erotic art to
benefit the charities of the Imperial Court

KFA STEERING COMMITTEE WELCOMES TWO NEW MEMBERS

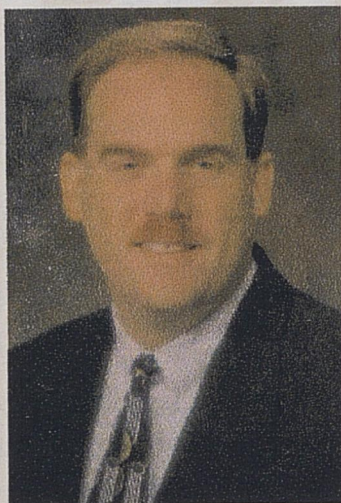
The Kentucky Fairness Alliance unanimously elected Jack Burch of Lexington to its Steering Committee. Jack is currently the Executive Director of the Community Action Council and brings to the board a wealth of organizational and networking talents. Jack will be joining fellow Lexingtonians, Laura Harris, Charlotte Wood and Jim Dickinson on the statewide organizing committee.

Jack has been involved in social justice and civil rights issues since 1965 beginning with the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee and the Southern Students Organizing Committee. He was also one of the founding fathers of the Equity Council for Fayette County Public Schools and is currently serving as the

Chair of the Equity Council. Prior to being the Executive Director of the CAC, he was President of ALCOR, a consortium of colleges in Eastern Ky.

His vision for Kentucky is quite simply, "one where we no longer judge each other by those factors that are of no consequence to our common humanity (age, religion, race, gender, gender identification, sexual orientation, etc)".

At its January meeting, the Steering Committee elected Rev. Judy Dale of Louisville, Kentucky as a steering committee member. Judy is currently the Chair of the Board of Administration for the global denomination of the Universal Fellowship of the Metropolitan Community Churches and previously served from 1990-2002 as the Great Lakes District Coordinator for the MCC. Her partner, the Rev. Dee Dale, is the Senior ...continued on page 15



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Kentucky Fairness Alliance

Bluegrass Chapter.....806-4114

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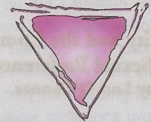
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GLSO Newsletter Calendar May 2005

To schedule events at the Pride Center, call Bill at 253-3233
Visit us on the web at: www.webspawner.com/users/glsocxnet



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9:15 & 11a UU Church 10:30 a St. Mychal 6p SisterSound Rehearsal	8p AA Open Discussion/Speakers (call for place)	7p GSA (call for place 266-5904)	7p GLSO Discussion Group-PC 8p AA Step Study (call) 8:30 p Miss Derby Pride Pageant @ Club 141	Pride Center open til 6pm	7:30 p Gay/Lesbian AA (call for place) 10 p KFA Derby Fundraiser @ Club Liquid	3p Derby Day Fundraiser for Moveable Feast 3p Lavender Reading Group @ Joseph Beth Bookseller's 3p KFA Derby Fundraiser @ Windy Knoll Farm
Happy Mother's Day 2p Women 40+ Club-PC 4p Integrity @ St. Michael's 6p Imperial Court Mtg.-PC SoulForce (call Jamie 230-5625)	8p Lexington Lyons-PC 8p AA Open Discussion/Speakers (call for place) Pride Brochure Dead-line	7p GSA (call for place 266-5904) 9p Pride Idol pre-contest @ Club 141 	7p GLSO Discussion Group-PC 8p Gay/Lesbian AA (call)	Pride Center open til 6pm 5:30p Pride Month Committee Mtg-PC	7:30 p Gay/Lesbian AA (call for place)	9a Frontrunners/Walkers @ Arboretum 8p Chris Williamson in Concert @ Memorial Hall
Newsletter Dead-line 9:15 & 11a UU Church 10:30 a St. Mychal's 2p ICK Fundraiser @ Gallerie Soleil 6p SisterSound Rehearsal	7:30 p GLSO Board Mtg. 8p AA Open Discussion/Speakers (call for place)	7p GSA (call for place 266-5904)	7p GLSO Discussion Group-PC 8p Gay/Lesbian AA	Pride Center open til 6pm 8p Pride Idol pre-contest @ Third Street Stuff 	7:30 p Gay/Lesbian AA (call for place)	9a Frontrunners/walkers Arboretum 8p SisterSound Spring Concert
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9:15 & 11a UU Church 10:30 a St. Mychal 6p SisterSound Rehearsal	Memorial Day 8p AA Open Discussion/Speakers (call for place)	9p Pride Idol pre-contest @ Club Liquid 			More information about many of the events are in this newsletter. You may want to call or email the group to confirm the date and time, see the directory on back page. Pride Center may be abbreviated -PC Call for Place may be abbreviated- Call	

Weekly Activities:

Mondays:

8pm - AA
Discussion/Speaker(Call for
Location)

Tuesdays:

7pm - GSA (Gay Straight
Alliance)

Wednesdays:

7pm - GLSO Discussion
Group
8pm - Gay/Lesbian AA (Call
for Location)

9pm - Rainbow Bowling
League Southland Lanes

Fridays:

8pm - Gay/Lesbian AA
(Call for Location)

Saturdays:

9am - Frontrunners/Walkers @
UK Arboretum

Sundays:

9:15 & 11am - UU Church
Worship Services.
10:30 - Mass, St. Mychal The
Martyr.
6pm - SisterSound Rehearsal
@ Landsdowne Presby.
Church.
7pm - LMC Rehearsal @ St.
Michael's Episcopal Church.

Bi-weekly:

6pm - The Imperial Court
SoulForce -
Call Jamie 230-5625

Monthly Activities:

Mondays:

7pm - GLSO Board Mtg. (3rd Mon.)
7:30pm - Fairness (2nd Mon.)
8pm - Lexington Lyons (2nd Mon-Every 3 months)

Tuesdays:

Wednesdays:

Thursdays:

Fridays:

Saturdays:

8pm - LexDGA (1st. Sat.)

Sundays:

2pm -Women 40+(2nd. Sun)
4pm- Integrity (2nd Sun)

Bisexuality and the Complexity of Sexual Preference

by Lori O'Connor

A couple of years ago a GLBT newsletter printed an article reporting that bisexuals, those who form sexual and/or emotional attachments to both women and men, were the most despised minority group in the country, just behind homosexuals. Fear of unconventional or indefinable sexuality is still potent in our society with bisexuals apparently causing the most fright. In the mid 1990s, a conservative religious group called bisexuality "the ultimate perversion."

Researchers have reported that most bisexuals feel misunderstood and ostracized by both gays and straights. Bisexuals are seen as greedy and promiscuous, as disease carriers, as closeted homosexuals with internal homophobia, as homosexuals in a transitional phase or as people who are just plain confused and indecisive. Some lesbians accuse bisexual women of being "traitors" since lesbianism is often viewed as a political as well as a personal statement. Many believe that bisexuality does not exist and that those who claim to be bisexual are avoiding the struggles and prejudice faced by homosexuals in a heterosexist society. Such judgments are unfair and often lead bisexuals to remain in the closet, hiding their feelings from others or even from themselves.

The pressure to come out and define oneself can be great, but many bisexuals are alienated by the use of the label "bisexual" since sexual behavior and sexual feelings can change. Many prefer to call themselves "pansexual," "non-preferential," "sexually fluid," "ambisexual," or "omni-sexual." Others prefer to remain label-free, thereby challenging society's tendency to

place sexual orientation into tidy little boxes. In the 1940s, famed sexologist Alfred Kinsey attempted to describe sexual orientation as a continuum with a simple scale representing the spectrum of sexual behavior. Zero represented exclusive heterosexuality and six represented exclusive homosexuality with bisexual behavior falling somewhere in between.

Later researchers, however, considered human sexuality too complex to be accurately represented by the Kinsey Scale. In the 1980s, Fritz Klein provided a more dynamic sexual orientation scale with the Klein Sexual Orientation Grid. It expanded on the behavior-focused Kinsey scale by including attraction, fantasy, social and emotional preference, self-identification and lifestyle factors measured along axes of past, present, and ideal, for a total of 21 measurable dimensions of sexuality.

In a study of contemporary female bisexuality, J.R. Little identified at least thirteen types of bisexuality as defined by sexual desires and experiences:

Alternating bisexuals: may have a relationship with a man, and then after that relationship ends, may choose a female partner for a subsequent relationship, and many go back to a male partner next. Circumstantial bisexuals: primarily heterosexual, but will choose same sex partners only in situations where they have no access to other-sex partners, such as when in jail, in the military, or in a gender-segregated school. Concurrent relationship bisexuals: have primary relationship with one gender only but have other casual or secondary relationships with people of another gender at the same time. Conditional bisexuals: either straight or gay/lesbian, but will switch to a relationship with another gender for financial or career gain or for a specific purpose, such as

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Pastor for the MCC in Louisville. Since Judy served on the finance team for the UFMCC for many years, she graciously agreed to serve as the interim treasurer for the KFA for the rest of this year. We hope that all this work for KFA will not interfere with her passion for camping and watching the Lady Kats.

In other news, Andrea Hildebran Executive Director, reported to the Steering Committee that KFA and its allied groups were successful in keeping in legislative committee a number of "bad" bills including a bill that would have rolled back the local civil rights ordinance. A bill that proposed putting such ordinances on the election ballot for Louisville was also bottled up in committee and apparently died for lack of support.

However (there is always a however) KFA has been warned that there will be a

major push by the Christian Right during the 2006 session to pass a constitutional amendment banning gay adoptions and conservative members of the State House and Senate may be focusing its efforts on rolling back local ordinance protecting the GLBT community from discrimination. KFA is beginning to address these issues and formulating a plan to defeat these measures. Any such plan will necessarily entail your active support. So, stay tuned for future news as to how you can get involved.

KFA's latest newsletter contains a more detailed update on the legislative news; a wrap-up of the No Amendment Campaign, and regional news. If you would like to read the newsletter, see KentuckyFairness.org. If you are interested in volunteering for the KFA, call Scotty Saltsman or Cindy Downey at 859-806-4114.



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young straight males who become gay prostitutes or lesbians who get married to men in order to gain acceptance from family members or to have children.

Emotional bisexuals: have intimate emotional relationships with both men and women, but only have sexual relationships with one gender.

Integrated bisexuals: have more than one primary relationship at the same time, one with a man and one with a woman.

Exploratory bisexuals: either straight or gay/lesbian, but have sex with another gender just to satisfy curiosity or "see what it's like."

Hedonistic bisexuals: primarily straight or gay/lesbian but will sometimes have sex with another gender primarily for fun or purely sexual satisfaction.

Recreational bisexuals: primarily heterosexual but engage in gay or lesbian sex only when under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol.

Isolated bisexuals: 100% straight or gay/lesbian now but has had at one or more sexual experience with another gender in the past.

Latent bisexuals: completely straight or gay lesbian in behavior but have strong desire for sex with another gender, but have never acted on it.

Motivational bisexuals: straight women who have sex with other women only because a male partner insists on it to titillate him.

Transitional bisexuals: temporarily identify as bisexual while in the process of moving from being straight to being gay or lesbian, or going from being gay or lesbian to being heterosexual.

Obviously, in our quest to understand ourselves, an endless list of names could be given to sexual feelings and behaviors. When definitions are inadequate and understanding is difficult, perhaps the most important action is to respect every individual's right to define him/herself while she/he moves through deeply personal

issues and stages of growth. Criticism and pressure to "pick a side" are useless acts of control, especially since there is no "correct" process for acquiring a sexual identity. Life is diverse and ever-changing. Polarization or alienation should not be our response to it.

Commenting on the harmony and flow of life, Zen Master Jianzhi Sengcan advised:

Obey the nature of things
And you will walk freely and undisturbed.
When thought is in bondage, the truth is hidden,
For everything is murky and unclear,
And the burdensome practice of judging
Brings annoyance and weariness.
What benefit can be derived
From distinction and separations?

Visit this comprehensive website for more information and resources concerning bisexuality: <http://bitheway.org>

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Get UP, Stand UP, SPEAK UP!

By Lindsay Mattingly

After visiting my family recently, I caught a ride back to Lexington with my best friend from high school. She asked me about the discrimination I face as a lesbian. I told her that as a queer person in our society, it has been made evident to me from day one that I am considered abnormal. Heterosexism and homophobia permeate the speech of our society in both subtle and not so subtle ways.

... Call me idealistic, but I see a need for change in our society with regards to Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) rights, and I believe that I can help bring it about on the grassroots level just by talking to people. A popular quotation states that talk is cheap, but I disagree. Words are our best defense against prejudice and ignorance, and they are the foundation of activism.

We are a pluralist nation that prides itself on its supposed acceptance of multiculturalism. As a society, we have passed many laws to ensure that our schools reflect our nation's multiculturalism by maintaining an inclusive, nondiscriminatory climate for almost every student. I say almost every student because when sexual orientation was included on a bill to protect children from violence and discrimination in Kentucky schools, the majority of our state legislators refused to pass it. Queer people come in all colors, socio-economic backgrounds, religious affiliations, and nationalities. The queer community is a perfect example of multiculturalism in this country. In our schools, however, it is not recognized as such. It is okay to make fun of a queer Jewish boy because he is gay, but don't you dare say anything about his yarmulke. Does that make any sense?

What is it about his sexual orientation that makes him less human and deserving of ridicule? When our state legislature refuses

to pass a law because it criminalizes inflammatory remarks against queer students, it communicates institutionalized acceptance of heterosexism and homophobia. More importantly, it feeds kids the message that it is perfectly okay to hate someone solely based on his/her sexual orientation. That sort of hypocritical policy fosters an environment for all kinds of hate.

Although society at-large communicates that message of hatred every day, it is the responsibility of our schools to create change. If our teachers are not preparing the next generation of leaders to treat the ills of our society, then what is the point of education? It must be applicable outside of the classroom to be of value.

... I am not calling for our schools to start teaching about Harvey Milk and Stonewall – though I hope we get there someday. I simply want educators to be mindful of the negative effects of presumed heterosexuality on the social and emotional development of queer students, and to crackdown on name-calling. Teachers should not tolerate the use of the phrase, "That's so gay." They should provide a safe environment for queer students free of the heterosexism and homophobia present throughout the rest of society.

One out of every six students self-identifies as a sexual orientation other than straight. That large minority goes unprotected every day in our schools. That is why participation in safe zone programs like the University of Kentucky Community and Allies Network is so important for the well being of our students. Teachers and students, both queer and non-queer, must speak out together to educate the ignorant and create a climate accepting of true multiculturalism.

Words are powerful in both negative and positive ways. Words are strung together to form our ideas. When you voice your ideas, you can create ...continued on page 21

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Unitarian Jihad

by J. Carroll, *San Francisco Chronicle*.

The following is the first communique from a group calling itself Unitarian Jihad.

Greetings to the Imprisoned Citizens of the United States. We are Unitarian Jihad. There is only God, unless there is more than one God. The vote of our God subcommittee is 10-8 in favor of one God, with two abstentions.

Greetings to the Imprisoned Citizens of the United States! Too long has your attention been waylaid by the bright baubles of extremist thought. Too long have fundamentalist yahoos of all religions made your head hurt (except Buddhism -- 14-5 vote, no abstentions, fundamentalism subcommittee.) Too long have you been buffeted by angry people who think that God talks to them. You have a right to your moderation! !

People of the United States, Whatever happened to ... you know, everything? Why is the news dominated by nutballs saying that the Ten Commandments have to be tattooed inside the eyelids of every American, or that Allah has told them to kill Americans in order to rid the world of Satan, or that Shiva thinks bombing mosques is a great idea? Sister Immaculate Dagger of Peace notes for the record that we mean no disrespect to Jews, Muslims, Christians or Hindus.

We are Unitarian Jihad. We are everywhere. We have not been born again, nor have we sworn a blood oath. We do not think that God worries much about what we read, what we eat or whom we sleep with. Brother Neutron Bomb of Serenity notes for the record that he does not have a moral code but is nevertheless a good person, and Unexalted Leader Garrote of Forgiveness

stipulates that Brother Neutron Bomb of Serenity is a good person, and this is to be reflected in the minutes.

Beware! Unless you people shut up and begin acting like grown-ups with brains enough to understand the difference between political belief and personal faith, the Unitarian Jihad will begin a series of terrorist-like actions. We will take over television studios, kidnap so-called commentators and broadcast calm, well-reasoned discussions of the issues of the day. We will not try for "balance" by hiring fruitcakes; we will try for balance by hiring non-ideologues who have carefully thought through the issues.

We are Unitarian Jihad. We will appear in public places and require people to shake hands with each other. (Sister Hand Grenade of Love suggested that we institute a terror regime of mandatory hugging, but her motion was not formally introduced because of lack of a quorum.) We will require all lobbyists, spokesmen and campaign managers to dress like trout in public. Televangelists will be forced to take jobs as Xerox repair specialists. Demagogues of all stripes will be required to read Proust out loud in prisons.

We are Unitarian Jihad, and our motto is: "Sincerity is not enough." We have heard from enough sincere people to last a lifetime already. Just because you believe it's true doesn't make it true. Just because your motives are pure doesn't mean you are not doing harm. Get a dog, or comfort someone in a nursing home, or just feed the birds in the park. Play basketball. Lighten up. The world is not out to get you, except in the sense that the world is out to get everyone.

Brother Gatling Gun of Patience notes that he's pretty sure the world is out to get him because everyone laughs when he says he is a Unitarian. There were murmurs of assent around the room, and

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someone suggested that we buy some Congress members and really stick it to the Baptists. But this was deemed against Revolutionary Principles, and Brother Gatling Gun of Patience was remanded to the Sunday Flowers Committee.

People of the United States! We are Unitarian Jihad! We can strike without warning. Pockets of reasonableness and harmony will appear as if from nowhere! Nice people will run the government again! There will be coffee and cookies in the Gandhi Room after the revolution.

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Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., one of the greatest activists of all times, is known best not for what he did, but for what he said. Those famous words, "I have a dream," still echo in classrooms today, forty years after they were spoken.

We must not forget that words are the building blocks of change. We cannot fall into the trap of apathy by thinking that voicing our thoughts will have no effect, when the opposite is true. Although we cannot always see the change we affect in people with our words, and it may not be immediate, we are planting a seed, nonetheless. We may even start a chain reaction of change when people share our words with others. That is social change on the grass-roots level.

We should never underestimate the power of our words. Talk is not cheap; it is invaluable. Go ahead and speak your mind.

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Gay Spirituality Icon #11:

Sensuality

By Fr. Ken Waibel

Well, I'm back! I hope you missed me. Sorry about the lack of articles over the past months. We are almost finished with this series on possible Icons or stepping stones of a GLBT Spirituality. I hope these reflections have been helpful.

We are at #11 of our 12 icons, each having a positive side and a negative side that offer insight into the workings of the GLBT person and what drives us in our decision making. The eleventh icon – sensuality/sexuality – offers us (and our world) blessings and challenges.

Sexuality and sexual expression (both genital and non-genital) are blessings from God given to us humans as a gift to enable us to become more like God and to draw us closer to each other. As one of the hungers (like the need to eat and breath) sexual expression drives us to mate (have sexual relations), to find mates (partner) and to experience the wonders of intimacy with another. Sexual expression draws us out of ourselves and into the other opening ourselves fully to the other, risking and accepting the other. This is an amazing and beautiful thing that should be celebrated and honored. The operative word here, of course, is "should."

The negative aspect of GLBT sexuality is

that such same-sex genital or non-genital expression is NOT celebrated or honored by society thus causing the expression to remain hidden and in the dark. Not that heterosexual genital expression is accepted any better in our culture but at least it is recognized as permissible and celebrated in monogamous relationships. This lack of acceptance of genital and non-genital sexual expression among GLBT persons forces a certain "acting out" that can be quite destructive. (We are not passing any judgment here. I will work on another article that will raise the question about GLBT sexuality calling for a new understanding of monogamy and playful sexual expression.) When sexual expression is not celebrated it becomes hidden and can become a series of one night stands, cyber sex partners and anonymous encounters. When sexual expression is not celebrated it can become dysfunction and prevent the couple from developing their physical attraction for each other into any sort of permanent healthy bond.

If sexual expression is celebrated the results are amazing and for the same-sex couple the wisdom surfaced can be phenomenal. Same-sex intimacy celebrated can offer (has offered) the world great insight into the wonders of the human body and how to best pleasure it. Women can pleasure women and men can pleasure men to levels ...continued next page

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possibly never understood by the opposite sex. These "levels" can be learned and best learned from those that best understand. GLBT sexual expression has a lot to teach the world.

Another positive aspect of GLBT sexuality is that its discussion has helped the world realize that we (gay or straight) are sexual beings that need not be embarrassed or ashamed of our sexuality. For far too long the sexual revolution has been hindered by limiting "sex" to genital expression or by isolating genital expression as somehow not holy. We gays continue to challenge the world to see us and our sexual expression as part of God's magnificent creation. This can only lead to good.

INTEGRITY

Integrity a support group for GLBT Episcopalians and friends will hold its May gathering on Sunday May 8 at 4pm in the Chapter Room at St Michael's Episcopal Church on Bellefonte Drive. All are welcome and invited to attend.

The group meets formally every second Sunday of the month and additionally for social activities, retreats, and numerous other community events. For more information about Integrity please call Markus at 243-0998 or email us at stmintegrity@yahoo.com.

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